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Ms. Joan M. McCabe Associate Director National Security and International Affairs Division United States General Accounting Office Washington, D.C. 20548

Dear Ms. McCabe:

I have been requested by the Director to respond to your letter dated 1 December 1986, on the subject of GAO review of the circumstances surrounding the sale of arms to Iran. You have advised that the House Foreign Affairs Committee has requested GAO to conduct this review.

As you know, our oversight committee, the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence (HPSCI), is currently conducting an in-depth investigation of this matter. We are cooperating fully with HPSCI, which includes our providing copies of all pertinent Agency documents. Furthermore, when the House Special Select Committee devoted to this subject convenes in January, we also intend to cooperate with its investigation. Finally, with regard to the Foreign Affairs Committee, the DCI along with senior CIA officials gave detailed testimony to that body on 10 December.

Accordingly, we believe that these actions already fully demonstrate and fulfill our commitment to make available to the appropriate components of the House of Representatives all pertinent information in our possession with respect to the Iranian arms sale matter.

Sincerely,

/o/ David D. Grios

David D. Gries
Director of Congressional Affairs

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